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Honorable William Colbe
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, DC 20505

Dear Mr. Colbe:

At the behest of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, the Congressional Research Service is conducting a study of Executive branch procedures relating to decisions to seek international agreements, and negotiation and implementation of such agreements.

In 1972 your agency submitted a list of all Executive agreements in which it participated since 1946 to Senator Ervin's Separation of Powers Subcommittee in conjunction with hearings conducted by the Subcommittee. Building on the record of those hearings, the current CRS project includes an effort to compile regulations and written instructions (both binding and advisory) used by Federal agencies relating to international agreements. In that regard, I will appreciate receiving all regulations or written instructions which your agency considers applicable to its participation in decisions to seek international agreements, or to negotiation and implementation of such agreements. Regulations and written instructions submitted should include (but not necessarily be limited to) those which cover actions to be taken and methods to be employed by personnel of your agency, as well as those covering coordination with other agencies which may be involved or have an interest in particular international agreements.

In the case of regulations or written instructions set down by your own agency, full copies are requested. In the case of those set down by other agencies which your agency considers applicable, precise citations will suffice.

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In the near future, I will wish to discuss these procedures and the international agreements in which your agency has been involved with you and others in your agency. I will be in touch with you further to work out mutually convenient arrangements. In the meantime, I will appreciate your earliest attention and response to this request for essential documents.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R. Roger Majak". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

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cc: George Cary